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INTRODUCTION

a. Opening remarks by Chairman (Lt. Col. Brewer).

b. Report by Contractor - (Status of aircraft deliveries, repair status of #3 aircraft, status of flight testing of "C" camera, System IV, and Radan, any problem areas) (Gordon Cannon - LAC).

c. Summary of support operation at Weapons System Support Center, WRAMA, by W. N. Denard. (See Tab I-A).

d. Report by SAC using organization on current status of progress in flying and training programs, adequacy of support, any problem areas.

e. Resume of operating procedures for Project Dragon Lady (Hq USAF, SAC, AMC, ARDC).

1. Accident reports.

2. Reporting of aircraft in inventory records. (See Tab I-B).

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PERTINENT DATA

1. Secure warehouse established.

2. All functions in support of the Project are performed within the secure warehouse.

3. Access to the warehouse limited to: Major General A. V. P. Anderson, Jr., Colonel B. J. Reilly, Mr. A. H. Cotton, Lt. John C. Carlson, (SC), USN, and Project personnel assigned duty within the warehouse.

4. Depot activity:

   a. Requisitions are received by direct TWX from Laughlin Air Force Base, Del Rio, Texas.

   b. Material processed to final stage for shipment within the secure warehouse, including sterile method of packing.

   c. Current activity for the period 15 June thru 31 July 1957:

Number of items requisitioned by Laughlin	503
Number of items shipped by WSSC	429
Number of items back ordered	56
Number of items placed on shipping order to Contractor or cancelled	18
Total	503
Number of items released from back order	13
Percentage of positive supply effectiveness (Does not include back order releases)	87.9
Weight of out-bound shipments	21,036
Line items received from Contractors and Depots	1,568
Weight of in-bound shipments	46,706

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5. Support of [redacted]

a. Action is being taken to establish a FAK to support three (3) each Articles equipped with the major equipment listed below. These FAK will be designated as FAK-I and FAK-III.

(1) Section I — Airframe and Auto Pilot Spares

(2) Section II — Engines Spares (-31)

(3) Section V — Airborne Comm - (1) ARN-6 (2) ARC-34 (3) ARC-21 or ARC-3 or both (4) AIC-10

(4) Section VI — Special Personal Equipment Spares

(5) Section VIII — Common Hardware

(6) Section IX — Ground Power Equipment Spare (MA2)

(7) Section XI — Sextant Spares

(8) Section XIII — Tracker and Viewfinder Spares

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The authorizations for FAK-I and FAK-III will be turned over to Base Supply at Laughlin Air Force Base to be built from existing stocks, utilizing principally the stocks from the old FAK-I. All shortages will be requisitioned by Base Supply from WSSC.

b. SLOE items to support these missions will be preassemblied from available assets at Laughlin. Shortages will be requisitioned from the WSSC.

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COMMENTS

1. Accident reports should be submitted thru sterile channels to personnel having direct concern only.

2. Aircraft should be reported thru sterile channels to cleared personnel concerned and should not be included in the regular aircraft inventory.

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OPEN ITEMS

a. Item 2-56-1 Operational Concept - General discussion of operational concept published by Hq USAF. SAC operational concept after 1 July 1957 (SAC, DOPLR).

b. Item 2-56-2 Rundown on Deliveries of Prime Equipments (Mr. Denard). (See Tab II-A).

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c. Item 2-56-6 Maintenance Concept - General discussion of maintenance operations within the 4080th SRW.

d. Item 2-56-7 Support of aircraft engines - Number of engines allocated, spares, overhaul, repair and shipping instructions (SAC and Mr. Denard). (See Tab II-B).

e. Item 2-56-10 Training - Report by SAC on requirements for mobile training devices and additional training of personnel, i. e., training of SAC personnel in the future by contractor-trained Air Training Command personnel.

f. Item 3-56-1 Status of Development and Testing of Prime Equipments - "C" camera, Radan, System IV, (including explanation of production hold order) (WSPO and Lockheed).

g. Item 6-56-4 Photo-Processing Equipment - Status of A-9 modification, additional requirements for PI and processing equipment, status of additional funds, progress in installation of processing equipment, summary of processing equipment, chemicals, and dupe film received to date - (SAC, WSPO, HQ USAF). (See Tab II-C).

h. Item 4-57-1 Follow-on Support of Common Items - Future procurement of film (except "C" camera & APQ-56), chemicals and dupe film through normal Air Force supply channels; establish channel for return of empty spools (SAC and WSPO). (See Tab II-D).

i. Item 4-57-2 Procurement of Three Weather Packages and Additional [redacted] Status of funding and contractual go-ahead (Hq USAF and WSPO).

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j. Item 4-57-3 Report on Status of Listings of Air Force Technical Orders for Inclusion in the Erection & Maintenance Manual (Mr. Denard and Lockheed). (See Tab II-E).

k. Item 4-57-4 Interchangeability of Equipments - Results of evaluation to determine the desirability of having provisions for "C" camera and APQ-56 in additional aircraft (SAC).

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DATA PERTAINING TO DELIVERY OF PRIME EQUIPMENT

	Contractor	Quantity Procured	Quantity Received	Quantity Due-In
A1 Configuration	Hycon	3	3	0
A2 Configuration	Hycon	3	3	0
B Configuration	Hycon	6	5	1

Five (5) each have been prefabricated; however, they are not in possession of the Air Force as they are presently undergoing flight test at Edwards. Delivery is promised beginning this month.

TAB II-A

C Configuration	Perkin-Elmer and Hycon	3	0	3

This Article still in Development Stage.
First Article now at Contractors' Plant for Phase III Assembly.

Junction Box	Perkin-Elmer	30	30	0
Tracking Camera	Perkin-Elmer	34	32	2

Sufficient items received for installation.

Hand Control, MKII	Perkin-Elmer	22	22	0

Nineteen (19) each for installation, three (3) each spares.

Drift Sight	Perkin-Elmer	33	26	7

Twenty-seven (27) each for installation, six (6) each for spares. Latest delivery schedule indicates three (3) each in August and remainder (four (4) each) in September.

Sextants	Baird	32	32	0
Hand Control, MKIII	Baird	12	12	0
APQ-56 Single Channel Radar Mapping System	Westinghouse	4	4	0
Radan Navigation System, Model PC210A	General Precision Lab.	4	4	0
Radan Navigation System, Model PC204A	General Precision Lab.	6	3	3

Three (3) each remaining Systems are to be delivered in August 1957.

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	Contractor	Quantity Procured	Quantity Received	Quantity Due-In
Radan Ground Speed and Drift Angle Measuring System, Model PC201A	General Precision Lab.	1	1	0
System I	Ramo-Wooldridge	25	11	14

Estimated delivery date of 15 September 1957 for remaining fourteen (14) System I. However, Contractor advised that there may be a slippage of three (3) weeks due to vast modifications of above System.

System III	Ramo-Wooldridge	25	5	20

Estimated delivery date of 29 September 1957 for remaining twenty (20) System III.

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ENGINE STATUS

1. All 57-37 engines and supporting spare parts have been turned over to the FOG Program. There are twenty-four (24) each of these engines in the Program as of this date. Spare support for the 57-37 series is considered adequate. There has been a tentative allocation of 57-31 series engines to support the FOG Program. Due to the limited number of 57-37 engines in the Program, 57-31 engines are being used in production articles and in instances are being used in training. The available spare support for the 57-31 engines has been prorated and is stocked by the WSSC (WRAMA).

2. A Supply Directive outlining the procedure for shipping engines to and from the Contractor has been drafted and is in the process of being published by SAC Headquarters.

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COMMENTS

The WSSC (WRAMA) will furnish total support (peculiar and common items) for equipment in possession of and located with the 4028th and 4029th Squadrons. The WSSC (WRAMA) will furnish support for the non-standard peculiar items that are in support of this Program even though they are not physically located with the 4028th and 4029th Squadrons; however, common items support should be obtained thru the available local channels for this equipment.

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COMMENTS

1. Common standard items can and should be obtained thru normal Air Force channels. The WSSC (WRAMA) is currently identifying all material and equipment possible as standard Air Force and is taking action to obtain same through normal channels. No catalogue action is being taken and it is not considered feasible to do so in the future.

2. The fact that an item is or is not a standard stock listed Air Force item should be the determining factor as to what source and channel are used in obtaining and procuring the material. Items that are not stock listed as standard Air Force should be obtained thru the present existing WSPO procurement channels. Stock listed standard Air Force items should be obtained by the WSSC (WRAMA) thru normal channels.

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COMMENTS

Prime Contractor LAC has made substantial progress in obtaining and formulating this data. However, certain information required from their Vendors is not available; necessary information has been requested.

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NEW ITEM

Item 8-57-6 Procurement, Support, Budgetary Action for FY 59 (Note: WSPO is funded thru June 1958 only).

Action Required: a. What functions can fall under normal SAC and or Depot responsibilities by 1 July 1958.

b. What functions can be or should be delegated to SAC and or WRAMA together with authority to deviate from SOP, if necessary.

c. What functions will remain with WSPO.

Estimated Completion of This Item: Next Phasing Group Meeting Firm plan should be in effect due to minimum time remaining for FY 59 Budget.

Persons concerned: General Anderson

Colonel Keeling

Colonel Brewer

Mr. Kucera

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS

a. Status of aircraft modifications requested by SAC (WSPO, SAC and Lockheed).

1. Position lights.

2. Voice recorder.

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3. ARC-3 VHF radio in [redacted]

4. Ejection seat.

b. Review of Provisioning Meeting held at Laughlin AFB on 22 July 1957 (SAC, Mr. Denard and WSPO). (See Tab IV-A).

c. Procedures for acceptance and pick-up of production aircraft at Edwards AFB (WSPO, Hq USAF, SAC and Lockheed).

d. Requirement for SAC to obtain technical representatives for Project Dragon Lady through normal Air Force channels after June 1958 (AMC and SAC).

TAB IV

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RESUME OF SLOE CONFERENCE HELD 22 JULY 1957

AT LAUGHLIN AIR FORCE BASE, TEXAS

1. Attendance consisted of personnel from SAC Headquarters, Laughlin Air Force Base and WRAMA.

2. The purpose of this conference was to establish authorizations to support prime equipment operating from four (4) locations. This being the case with the exception of the Radan equipment which will operate only from two (2) locations. Also, it was necessary to take action to break down equipment to various organizational functions such as field maintenance, flight line, etc., to be compatible with the type maintenance organizations in effect.

3. Initially, the Squadron SLOE was established to support a single point operation in certain equipment areas. Therefore, the original quantities of peculiar equipment purchased was insufficient to support the projected four (4) locations. Also, the standard Air Force equipment was insufficient due to the same reasons.

4. Procurement adjustments are being made to obtain additional required peculiar equipment. Standard Air Force items are being requisitioned from the appropriate Air Force Depot.

5. The present SLOE now consists of 269 CFE and 223 AF line items, plus two (2) ECL's for tools and household items. A further study of SLOE requirements will be made within sixty (60) days by Laughlin Air Force Base, WRAMA and Headquarters SAC.

TAB IV-A